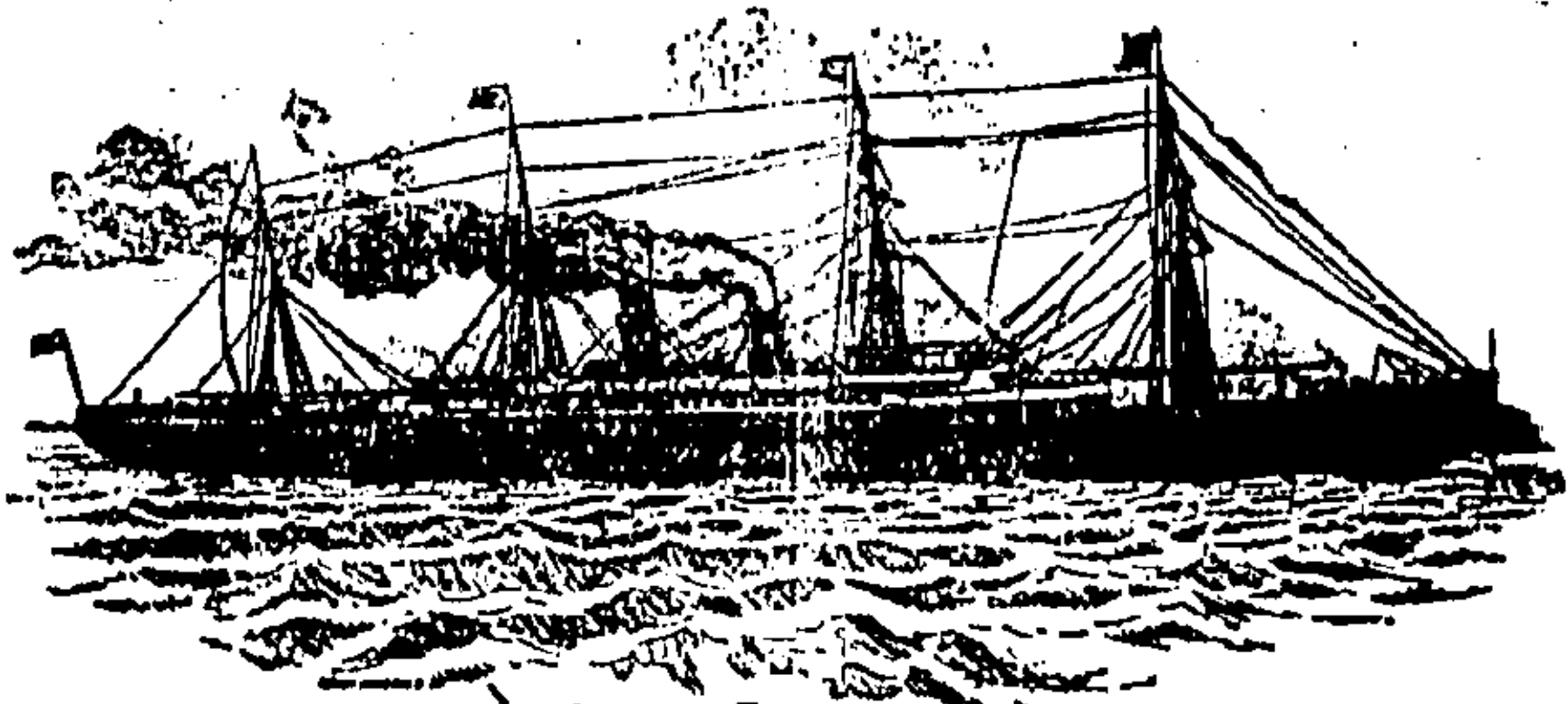


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A CLEVER WOMAN WORKER.

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"Six years since I was laid low with a terrible attack of rheumatism; three years later I had enteric fever, which left me prostrated with dropsy and heart disease. But thanks to Dr. Williams' pink pills for pale people I am now a strong and healthy woman."

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"And how did you hear of Dr. Williams' pink pills?" asked the reporter. "Several people advised me to try them," said Mrs. Hands, "and I also saw cures reported in the newspapers. But I didn't believe anything could cure me after all the medicine I had taken. However, I sent for a bottle, and I afterwards bought another bottle and soon discovered that my strength was returning. I persevered with the pills, with the result that I now almost look as if I have never had a day's illness in my life. I can do all my work in the house, and can go about anywhere and stand any excitement. Strong? Yes, I can now do my washing and fetch my bread from the bakehouse, which is some distance away from the shop. I keep Dr. Williams' pink pills in the house now, and occasionally take one as a tonic."

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THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM.

HALLEY'S COMET.

The farther we get off Bible times the greater the proof of the Bible's truth. Exploration has revealed to us not only the ruins of Biblical cities but has resulted in the discovery of documentary evidence, as in Babylonia and Egypt, of the exactness of the inspired account. We have been taught that Babylonia was the scene of certain great things, and the present German expedition has actually recovered inscribed tablets which are their verification. We have read with dimmed eyes that exquisite drama of the Israelites in Egypt, and an English expedition has discovered the ruins of one of Joseph's granaries with the tally marks on the outer walls. We have marvelled over the story of the Flood, but science has latterly shown that the submersion of the best part of Asia really occurred in the way of the Biblical record. It rained for forty days and forty nights: and the casual reader of his Bible conceives of a deluge that was caused by nothing else, and grows sceptical. The Bible, however, speaks of the waters of the sea and heavens in conjunction—"The fountains of the deep were broken up"—verily a tidal eruption acting in conjunction with a phenomenal rainfall, which science has proved really happened.

Equally wonderful is the conclusion come to by so many astronomers that the Star of Bethlehem was no fiction of a poetical historian, but really shone over Sacred Manger, as described. The Holy Shroud, at which sceptics have laughed for centuries has recently been proved to show a perfect image of a crucified human form by means of the camera, the sheet having been unconsciously sensitised by the aloes used by Joseph, which, acting with the ammoniacal sweats of the body enclosed produced an impression. Similarly with the Star of Bethlehem. It shone as related in the Bible, as it is now shining at the orbit of Uranus, as it will shine at the orbit of Saturn in 1918, and at that of Jupiter in 1919, and as it will shine to all who live in this world in 1911 or in eight years from date. The Star of Bethlehem is believed now to be really Halley's comet, which makes its circuit every seventy-five or seventy-six years, blazed over the Sacred Manger at the time of Christ's birth. An exact calculation, indeed, shows that it appeared there just eleven years before the date as now accepted, but it is right to remember that there is no great certainty as to the year in which Jesus was born. It was not until the year 332 of our era that the present system of Christian chronology was invented, the author of the fixture being Dionysius Exiguus, or "Dionysius the Little," a monk who was born in Scythia. It is quite possible that he was wrong, in which case he made an error of eleven years, as established by the Roman and Chinese records of the period which testify to the appearance of an extraordinary star about that time before Christ's birth. Halley's comet, by astronomical calculation, must have shone over Bethlehem, 11 years B.C., but it is quite likely that Dionysius, not having as sound data as has since been available, erred to this extent, unless of course there has been at some time a variation in the star's circuit, which would account for the slight discrepancy. Those people who have not read of Halley's comet can form no idea of its extraordinary magnificence, since all other comets, as viewed from the earth, are rendered dull by comparison.

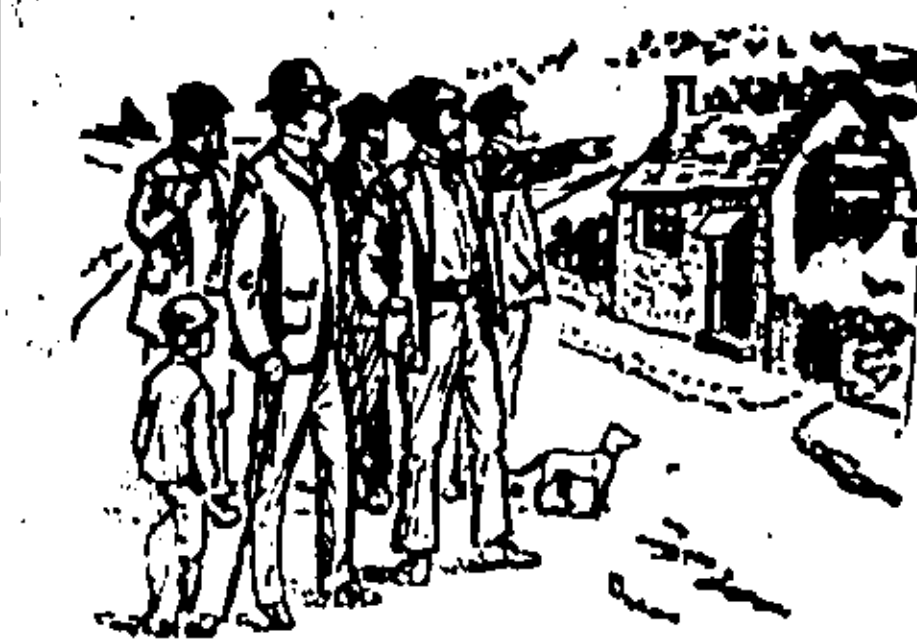
The comet takes its name from Dr. Edmund Halley, who flourished at the time of Newton, and who saw it in 1682, when it appeared in the heavens like a miniature sun. As the results of his calculations, he was able to foretell its next appearance in 1758, but owing to the influence of the planet Jupiter, in holding it back, it did not become again visible till 1799. Soon after various astronomers fixed its next appearance for 1835, and sure enough, it revealed itself once more to the earth, as it sped on its awful way, as illustrated in the little map, the blaze from it being such that, as we are told, "many people were frightened." If the monk who fixed our chronology was eleven years out, then Halley's Comet stood over the Manger of Bethlehem eleven years B.C., in which year Christ was really born, but if the Monk was right in his fixtures, the discrepancy with astronomical calculations being due to unrecorded variations in the Comet's passage, then it shone there at the date accepted, and probably with a splendour equalled by only a few of its twenty-three appearances since. As it approached the sun it was visible in the western sky, and this was its position when the wise men and their camels were slowly, during some months of the time, crossing the level expanses east of Palestine. They saw the Star suspended above the western horizon, growing brighter night by night, until when it had reached its zenith it was actually hanging over the Sacred Manger, glowing with extraordinary magnificence and marking the dawn of Man's Salvation. In its present circuit the "Star" was held back considerably by the great planets, so that it only reached its greatest distance from the earth in 1874. In thirty-seven years from then it will have again manifested itself and it will pass away as before, speeding its endless path, one of the countless sublime mysteries controlled by the universal God.

PIGEONS RIVAL RAILWAY.

300 MILES IN SEVEN HOURS.

Some time ago, according to the Scotch papers, thirty-six Carrier Pigeons flew from Spalding to Tranent (Haddingtonshire) in seven hours—a distance of 300 miles—at the rate of nearly 43 miles an hour, which would be a good average pace for a railway train over the distance. A newspaper man who saw some of the pigeons which accomplished the feat had some conversation with a local resident who told an interesting story of himself.

His name is William Craven, an agile, busy man, who wished to add to the reputation of Dr. Williams' pink pills, which had travelled



much further, he said, than the best 'carrier' in and around Tranent.

Mr. Craven said: "But for them I would not have been able to work to-day. Four years ago, when at work on a farm, I began to have severe pains in my left leg, the pain shooting up from my toes to my hip, and do all I could I could not get rid of it. At nights I was afraid to turn in my bed. I could not stand. If I tried to walk the effort caused me fearful agony."

"You see that wooden step by the door? Well, I could not raise my foot over it. I was quite at a loss what to do. At last a friend said, 'Why don't you take Dr. Williams' pink pills for pale people? They'll enrich your blood and so cure your rheumatism.' I sent for a bottle, and they made new blood in me. I awakened one morning without feeling the least signs of pain. I have not had the least sensation of a return of the rheumatism. So firm a believer am I now in Dr. Williams' pink pills that I recommend them to all the miners, as they are liable to rheumatism, and I know for a fact that many of them about here take these pills with the best results."

"I should have mentioned also that when I began to take Dr. Williams' pink pills I had no appetite; after a few doses of the pills I was always ready for my meals. I am quite well now, being able to go about with perfect ease."

"Yes," said his listening son, "father has become wonderfully well since he commenced to take these pills. Nothing else would touch his trouble."

"My other son, William," asked Mr. Craven, "has also been greatly benefited by them. He injured his arm in the pit, and a form of rheumatism ensued, which was cured by Dr. Williams' pink pills. He now works regularly every day."

Mr. Craven gave his unqualified permission for the interview to be published in the newspapers, and, indeed, such is the fame of the pills in all walks of life that those who have benefited by them in cases of anaemia, biliousness, consumption, gout, rheumatism, sciatica, paralysis, and other disorders, are generally ready to publish their experiences. Even ladies, whose modesty would keep them silent but for their kind anxiety to benefit their suffering sisters, do not hesitate to make known the extraordinary relief which the genuine pills—Dr. Williams'—are capable of affording in the recurrent miseries to which so many are subject. Dr. Williams' medicine company, Holborn-viaduct, London, send a bottle post free for two shillings and ninepence (or six bottles for thirteen and nine) if there is any difficulty in obtaining the genuine pills at shops. Substitutes, which do not bear Dr. Williams' name are worthless. It is thanks to the genuine pills that Mr. Craven is one of the most active and cheerful men in Great Britain, and that he is able to take keen interest in Pigeon Flying and other Outdoor Amusements.

ACCIDENT IN AN ENGLISH COAL PIT.

While working in a Hanley coal pit some years ago John Henshall lost an eye from a spark at the pick-end. The injury set up inflammation, which compelled the doctors to remove the eye. Finding his occupation as a miner gone, he has since worked as a gardener and at odd work. He is a most respectable and intelligent man, the victim of repeated misfortunes.



Mr. John Henshall.

Victim of an accident at Hanley.

"I am getting on in years," he said—"nearly sixty-eight—and since I lost my eye I have done no work in the pits. That is, however, not the only trouble I have had. For two years I was laid up with an attack of liver complaint, which caused acute indigestion. I also suffered from nervous debility. I had agonising pains in the head, and was subject to feelings of giddiness. I was hardly able to eat, and got into a very weak, low, and depressed state of health. Indeed, I used to feel at times like a man out of his mind, and but for Dr. Williams' pink pills I don't know what would have become of me."

"To see if I could get any benefit," said Mr. Henshall, continuing his story, "I went to Rhyl, and spent three weeks at one of the convalescent homes there. But I got no better; in fact, while I was at Rhyl I thought my end was approaching, and feeling that I should rather die at home, I came back to Staffordshire. I still suffered on my return, and for a time I became an out-patient at the North Staffordshire Infirmary. It was Dr. Williams' pink pills for pale people that eventually cured me."

"How came you to take them?"

"Why, my son came from the North of England to visit me, and to see if the change would do me any good I went back with him to his home. My son was at that time taking Dr. Williams' pink pills for pale people, and he gave me some to try. I took the greater part of a bottle and in a fortnight they made a new man of me. I was able to go to work."

"And how is your health to-day?" was the next question.

"Oh, I am much better," replied Mr. Henshall, "I have a better appetite, my nerves are stronger, and I seem to have more vigour in me. Considering my age, I am feeling very fit indeed."

Mr. Henshall, asked if he had any objection to his story being published, said: "I have only told you what is true, and there can be no objection to that being published."

The experience of Mr. Henshall is that of many who have suffered from diseases arising from poor blood and shattered nerves—anaemia, bile, consumption, eczema, headache, indigestion, kidney diseases, rheumatism, scrofula. Dr. Williams' pink pills have cured these and other diseases in countless cases. Women especially help in those characteristic troubles which they do not talk about. The pills are not a cure-all. They cure by action on the blood and on the nerves, curing fits, paralysis, locomotor ataxy, St. Vitus' dance, neuralgia. Only the genuine pills, bearing Dr. Williams' name, cure. Substitutes never cure. Genuine pills post free from Williams' Medicine Company, Holborn-viaduct, London, for two shillings and ninepence; but can be had at all medicine shops if you take care to get the right ones, which did so much good to this victim of Accident and Misfortune.

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LD.

NOTICE.

OWNERS OF GOODS which were BURNT in the above Company's Godowns Nos. 21, 22, 23 on 10th April last are hereby notified that all such Goods, or the Debris thereof, not claimed by the 7th instant, will be forthwith disposed of at their risk and expense.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1904. [585]

HONGKONG STEAM WATER BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of 7% for the half year ending March 31st, 1904, has been declared. DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be issued on application at the Company's Office on and after TUESDAY, the 10th inst. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 10th inst., both days inclusive.

By Order, J. W. KEW, Manager.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1904. [587]

TUBORG BEER.

A FIRST CLASS PILSENER BEER guaranteed free from Salicylic Acid, and any other Chemicals.

PRICE \$10.50 per case of 48 bottles (quarts) or 6 doz. pints.

Special Prices for Quantities.

Sole Agents:—

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [54]

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GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 37½ lbs. net \$4.75 ex Factory.

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General Managers, SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

Hongkong, 15th August, 1903. [D]

FOR SALE.

Genuine Cardiff and Japan COAL.

Apply to

RITCHIE & Co., 39, Des Vaux Road.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1904. [539]

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INCANDESCENT GASOLINE LAMPS

OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS, from the best makers.

INCANDESCENT MANTLES,

OHIMNEYS, GLOBES, SHADES, &c., for

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at the most moderate prices.

Lamps fixed up for Buyers free of charge.

Naphtha of the best kind kept in stock.

TAI KWONG CO., 56, Lyndhurst Terrace.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1904. [51]

Intimation.

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1, ICE HOUSE ROAD, HONGKONG.

CABLE ADDRESS.—Telegraph, Hongkong

THE leading English Newspaper in China. Also widely circulated in Japan, Cochinchina, Ceylon, India and the Far East generally.

A daily newspaper with weekly edition published for despatch by the homeward mail. The daily is recommended as more generally suitable, except for subscribers in Europe or America.

A special feature is made of full and accurate reports of local occurrences, and of matters of general interest.

ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT.

The Hongkong Telegraph is the best medium for advertising in China. It circulates largely among all classes of the community, is the largest daily newspaper and has a wider circulation than any journal in the Far East.

Special attention given to effectively displaying advertisements.

The type used as a standard for setting advertisements is similar to this, unless we are instructed to display the advertisement, when any effective style of type will be adopted. This standard runs exactly eight lines to the inch, and about eight words to the line.

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Job Printing of all descriptions undertaken.

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All job printing is done under European supervision, well turned out, free from errors, and remarkably cheap at

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Estimates given for all classes of work on application to

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HONGKONG TELEGRAPH CO., LD.

1, Ice House Road,

Hongkong.

Intimations.

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TOILET PREPARATIONS

WATSON'S GLYCERINE AND CARBOLIC SOAPS effect a saving of 50%, owing to the large size of the tablets. They are made of the purest ingredients and are elegantly put up. Our Carbolic Dog Soap is the best thing of its kind in the market.

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WATSON'S ORIENTAL DENTIFRICE. In the early days of the Colony the public used no other. Liquid dentifrices do not keep the teeth white and clean. We recommend the above preparation to all, and especially to those who are heavy smokers.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS.

ESTABLISHED 1841.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904.

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A. B. C. CODE, 4TH EDITION.

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FURNITURE
DEALERS.

DRAWING-ROOM,
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PASTEUR'S MICROBE-PROOF
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UNDERTAKEN FOR AMATEURS.
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PROMPT RETURN.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1904.

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MARINE SURVEYORS,
CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND
NAVAL ARCHITECTS.

COLLISIONS and Damages Surveyed.
Salvage Work undertaken.
Ship Designs and Specifications prepared.
Agents for the Construction and Sale of Steam
Engines and Motor Launches.
Contract for Tonnage on reasonable terms
with First-class Builders.
A large stock of Canadian Asbestos and
Asbestos goods kept.
Agents for Messrs. Allen & Sons Electrical
Firm and Cable Works.
Telephone—No. 358.
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1904.

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Ordinary business communications should be addressed to The Manager.

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Single Copies Daily, ten cents; Weekly, twenty-five cents.

BIRTHS.

On the 1st May, at 169, Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai, the wife of S. SASSOON BENJAMIN, of a son.

On the 1st May at 2, North Street, Road, Shanghai, the wife of G. BUCHANAN, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

On the 30th April, at the Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. J. O'S. JANEY HILLERA, RUC, eldest daughter of Thomas Weir, Shanghai, to ROBERT BUCHANAN, eldest son of A. Buchanan, Dumbarton.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 6, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

TELEGRAPHIC communication with Saigon, Indochina, has been restored.

THE French Mail of the 5th April was delivered in London on the 4th inst.

THE C. N. S. *Tungchow* on her last voyage up to Tientsin was stopped by a Japanese cruiser and searched.

NEWS has been received of the killing near Shuntai, on the Lu Han railway, of a Belgian named De Jose, by a Frenchman, name unknown. The Belgian Consul at Peking had gone to Shuntai to investigate.

THE *Universal Gazette* is advised by a Kwangtung despatch that Governor Ko, of Kwangsi, has recently issued instructions to his subordinates throughout the province that a duty on pigs killed and also a tax on opium lamps be imposed, the revenue derived from the above two sources be used for purchasing arms and ammunition to be distributed to the various districts.

THE construction of a new palace at Seoul, to replace the old palace recently destroyed by fire, has been decided upon, but it is stated that not more than \$300,000 is to be spent upon the work. This is the sum estimated for the construction of the building. Only a very moderate palace can be built for \$300,000, but the fact that the figure is so low is said to be due to the advice of the Japanese, English, and American Ministers.

THE *Universal Gazette* is told by its Amoy correspondent that the Director and his associates of the Bureau of Commerce of that Port have often invited the prominent merchants to the Bureau, and conferred with them on commercial problems. It is now proposed to inaugurate a Chamber of Commerce and to publish a monthly commercial gazette. The latter will be published as soon as the types and the printing plan have arrived at Amoy.

As the disorders in the Two Kwang Provinces have not entirely subsided, arms and ammunition are urgently demanded by the different districts but the authorities are unable to comply with them. They have consequently purchased from Carlowitz and Company at Canton, the other day, ten thousand rifles and one million cartridges which have since been transported to the Provincial City and taken delivery of by the Arms Department.—*Universal Gazette*.

ACCORDING to a Canton despatch the insurgents of Kwangsi province have begun their periodical disturbances this year by starting to attack the Imperial troops, stationed at Nanning. So far the insurgents have succeeded in defeating the government troops three times, while the former have suffered loss only once. Viceroy Tien has therefore appointed General Ting of the Yuchiang circuit to take 12,000 troops with him to suppress the rising in Nanning and Szefu, giving that officer one month to restore peace in that region, failing which the General is to be denounced to the Throne as incapable.

FORMERLY, Japan imported considerable quantities of American wheat for use in her breweries. Of late seeds of the "Golden melon" Chevarly and Hanga brands were obtained and planted in the district around Yezo, which is particularly well adapted for wheat growing. Splendid crops have now been obtained, surpassing the hopes of the most sanguine promoters of the scheme. It is stated that should progress continue, Japan will, in the near future, be completely independent of foreign grown wheat for her beer production. The Sapporo Brewery, one of the leading enterprises of this kind, now uses only Hokkaido (Yezo) grain for malting. The directors of this company state that they are able to brew a superior quality of beer with the home grain wheat than they did with the imported grain.

THE report of the Thames Ironworks Shipbuilding and Engineering Co. notes that the civil engineering department has been fortunate in securing another Admiralty contract for the floating caisson for the new dock now under construction at Hongkong.

By kind permission of Lt. Col. Fremonger and officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow (Saturday) from 8 to 9.30 p.m.

PROGRAMME.

March... "The Belle of Bolinas" ... 2nd Home Overture... "La Reine d'un Jour" ... Adam Selection... "Coster Songs" ... Cavalier Mazurka... "La Comtesse" ... Tondatore Selection... "The Earl and the Girl" ... Ivan Caryll Waltz... "The Chimeras" ... Philips Tarantella... "The Original Napolitano" ... Jullien's God save the King.

THE PLAGUE.

FIRST EUROPEAN CASE.

As reported in our columns last evening, the first European case of plague since the beginning of the year was notified yesterday, and this is now borne out by the official returns to hand, which show that there were also five fatal (Chinese) cases since noon of yesterday.

THE TUNGKON MEDICAL MISSIONARY HOSPITAL.

We have received from the Rev. R. F. F. Gottschalk the report of this hospital in connection with the Rhein-Missionary Society for 1903. In Hongkong last year \$1,880 was subscribed, of which upwards of \$600 was to be devoted towards new buildings suggested by the late Rev. Dr. Schrieler. The ground covered by the main building has an area of 616 square metres, that covered by the smaller one an area of 147 square metres. The sum expended gives for each bed an outlay of \$10. It is of interest to note that the new railway which will one day connect Hongkong with Canton, will, in all probability, pass through territory occupied by the mission, and where the beneficent and far-reaching effects of the hospital work have already deeply impressed the population. The institution being located in Tung-kun city, people from Shantung, Taiwan, Santong, Sheklung and other places where the new railway may pass through are received and treated by the mission, which cannot fail to make them feel more friendly towards foreigners.

SHANGHAI SPRING MEETING.

THE PART-MUTUEL STAKES.—Value, Tls. 300. Second Pony, Tls. 25. If five or more starters, Third Pony, Tls. 25. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Grifflins at date of entry, allowed 7 lbs. A penalty of 7 lbs. for Non-Starters and Winners at this Meeting. Entrance, Tls. 5.—One Mile and a Half.

Four Stars' Sphere... 1
Duplex's The Dealer... 2
Gray's Wabeno... 3

THE RACING STAKES.—Value, Tls. 250. Second Pony, Tls. 50. If five or more starters, Third Pony, Tls. 25. For China Ponies that have not run before 1st January, 1904. Weight for inches as per scale. Grifflins at date of entry and Non-Starters at any Meeting, allowed 5 lbs. Winners 5 lbs. extra.—One Mile.

H. Morris's Brownberry... 1
Mowat's Coriander... 2
Spero's Belvoir... 3

THE YANGTSE CUP.—Value, Tls. 250. Second Pony, Tls. 50. If five or more starters, Third Pony, Tls. 25. For China Ponies that have run at this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner at this Meeting 5 lbs. extra. Unplaced Ponies allowed 5 lbs. Entrance, Tls. 5.—One mile and Three-Quarters.

Barley's His Highness... 1
Buxey's Rare Rose... 2
Wingard's Algerine... 3

THE MANCHU STAKES.—Value, Tls. 250. Second Pony, Tls. 50. If five or more starters, Third Pony, Tls. 25. For China Ponies, bona fide Grifflins at date of entry, that have run and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance, Tls. 5.—One Mile and a Quarter.

Waverley's Monsoon... 1
Scandypat's Alverstone... 2
Gray's Comanche... 3

THE CONSOLATION CUP.—Value, Tls. 250. Second Pony, Tls. 50. If five or more starters, Third Pony, Tls. 25. For China Ponies that have run at this Meeting and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance, Tls. 5.—One Mile and a Quarter.

Toeg's Irvine... 1
John Peel's Steelboy... 2
Moonhead's Festival... 3

THE CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKES.—Value, Tls. 800. Second Pony, Tls. 100. A forced entry for all China Ponies Winner at this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Each Pony entered to pay five per cent of the value of the Stakes and Prizes won. Winners of Presented Cups to pay Tls. 10 for each race won.—One Mile and a Quarter.

Scandypat's Jetsam... 1
Common's Gadfly... 2
Four Stars' Sphere... 3

THE NIL DESPERANDUM CUP.—Value, Tls. 150. Second, Tls. 50. Third, Tls. 25. For Subscription Grifflins of this Meeting that have run and lost won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced Ponies allowed 5 lbs. Jockeys who have won the Champions, Derby, or St. Leger at Shanghai, Hongkong, and Peking, barred. Entrance, Tls. 5.—Seven Furlongs.

Gray's Glen... 1
Salmon's Uprun... 2
Cora's Glen... 3

A SWARM OF STOWAWAYS

ARRIVE AT HONGKONG.

It is not often that the Magistrates have such a crowd of stowaways before them as were placed in the dock before Mr. Gompertz at the Police Court this morning. There were no less than 78 Japanese, being 61 women and 17 men, who had stowed away on the s.s. *Goodwin* at Kotanitsu, Japan. On the arrival of the steamer the stowaways were landed, and marched up from the Star Ferry wharf, under a strong guard of police, the Central Police Station, there to take their trial. The s.s. *Goodwin* had loaded coal at Kotanitsu, and was ready to sail on the morning of the 30th ult. On the night of the 29th the crew asked for, and obtained, leave to go ashore, and returned at midnight being shortly followed by a large gang of coolies, men and women, who went on board. The Captain and officers had then turned in, and the only watch kept was by a quartermaster, who did not appear to take any notice of the nocturnal intruders, who managed to stow themselves away. So well did they dispose of themselves that, when the steamer was boarded and examined by the Japanese police, according to custom, before sailing they were not discovered.

When placed before the Magistrate the men claimed that they had paid various sums to a Japanese at Kotanitsu for their own and the women's passages, but they had not received tickets. They were farmers, they stated, and did not run away from Japan to evade military service, and for which they were not liable to be called upon but because they wished to be farmers in Singapore. Mr. Gompertz said that there was not room enough in the gaol for such a number, and he was adverse to placing Japanese into the stocks. He must remand the case to see whether the Japanese Consul could make arrangements to send the party back to Japan. As regards five of them, they were fined \$100 each or three months imprisonment, and the women were remanded to the custody of the Japanese Consul pending arrangements for returning them to Japan.

CREW CHARGED.

Thirteen of the crew of the s.s. *Goodwin* were then placed in the dock on the charge of aiding and abetting the Japanese stowaways. The chief officer testified to the finding of the stowaways in various parts of the steamer many of them being in the Chinese crew's quarters, in the poop aft. Witness also stated that immediately on the arrival of the vessel here, several of the crew deserted their ship. Inspector Langly prosecuted, and Mr. P. W. Goldring, appeared to defend the boatswain.

The first defendant blamed the quartermasters and said he knew nothing beyond the fact that after the ship was at sea the carpenter told him there were some Japanese on board, and advised him to offer money to the Chief Officer. He did so and the Chief Officer refused it. Immediately the steamer arrived in Hongkong the carpenter and the quartermaster ran away from the ship.

Mr. Goldring then addressed the Court on behalf of his client, showing that there was no evidence to prove his complicity in the affair, and pointing out the extreme improbability of so many people being on the steamer for three days without a single officer knowing something of their presence. Therefore, the belief that the officers were cognizant of it would naturally cause his client to consider that he was doing nothing wrong in helping to hide the people.

Mr. Gompertz fined the first \$20 and the others \$5. On the completion of the above case he fined the Japanese female stowaways \$20 each, or 7 days' hard labour.

HOUSE DRAINAGE IN HONGKONG.

In moving the resolution for the appointment of a sub-committee to inquire into the question of house drainage in Hongkong, Mr. A. Rumjahn, speaking at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, said:—

"During the past few years there have been introduced into this Colony at least seven different systems of house drainage, all of which have been certified by the Sanitary Surveyor as being in conformity with the Drainage Bye-laws. For the purpose of my motion I propose to deal with only two of these systems, because to go into the details of all the systems it would take hours. In a block of eight terrace houses in Caine Road built last year, although each backyard had been provided with two trapped inlets to an underground drain, an open channel runs over the covered drain through the whole block of buildings and carries along with it foul waters from house to house, causing a great nuisance, and endangering the health of the occupants of these houses. The Sanitary Surveyor, Mr. Bryan, in his report of the 22nd February last, states that the surface channel is intended to take the rain-water from one half of the roof of the houses. That statement is incorrect and should not have been made by so responsible an officer as the Sanitary Surveyor, because on inspection of the premises it was found that the rain-water from the roofs is emptied into one of the trapped inlets and not received by the channel.

The President, Mr. Rumjahn, said that he meant the storm-water. Mr. Rumjahn, I beg your pardon, Sir. Here is his report. What I have stated is there; and I am using his own words. On the other hand, the Acting Sanitary Surveyor in his report justifies the existence of this channel and states that Section 43 of the Drainage Bye-laws of Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, together with Section 193 of that Ordinance, gives authority by which slops and foul waters are allowed to flow from house to house, by means of an open channel, under certain conditions. Now let us turn to the Drainage Bye-laws, Section 43, and such diseases. And he was speaking of houses occupied by the lower-class Chinese, but by the better-class and by Europeans. The motion was carried unanimously.

provided in lieu of a covered drain. But the Acting Sanitary Surveyor has forgotten that in this block there is already a covered drain below the surface channel, therefore it is illegal to have the surface channel, inasmuch as the Section referred to does not authorise the conveyance of foul waters from house to house; neither does Section 193 of the Ordinance allow it. On the contrary, Section 35 of the Drainage Bye-law imperatively demands that backyards on which slops are thrown, or from which foul water flows, must be provided with trapped inlets to all underground drains for the disposal of such waters, as well as some of the rain water. I repeat that if it is undesirable to have a covered drain then in that case only a surface channel can be maintained in lieu of such covered drain. It is just the reverse in this case. It is highly undesirable to have the surface channel because should any of the houses in the block be found to be infected the surface channel would be the means of disseminating the myriads of germs of diseases, whereas the covered drain would be a safeguard against the adjoining houses being infected, as the washings from the infected house are carried away through the underground channel. Dr. Pearce in his report of the 29th February last states:—"I quite admit that a nuisance may arise out of this system, and that under certain conditions it might even be dangerous to health. It is undoubtedly a nuisance to have the filth of one yard swept into the next one." Side by side with this block of buildings there is another block, composed of five new houses, opposite Sir Paul Chater's house. The drains are now being laid. In every respect the two blocks are similar as regards back-yards, back lanes, and side lanes, with the exception of this open channel. In the new block the channel is not provided. The liquid filth of each house is emptied into one of the two traps laid in each yard. If the system in the new block conforms with the law then the one in the other block does not, and vice versa.

I have only one more system to criticise. At the rear of "Rosehill" and facing Robinson Road there have been erected six European houses. These houses have each a back-yard and none of the yards are provided with a trapped inlet. An open channel is placed in the yards for the collection of foul waters which are conveyed from house to house. These waters are finally emptied into the only trap which is placed beyond the last house. Needless to say, this system is most objectionable and insanitary, and contrary to the provisions of Section 43 of the Drainage Bye-laws. The Acting Surveyor justifies the existence of the channel in the following terms:—"The block of buildings in Robinson Road mentioned in question 4 has probably been passed under Bye-law 43, but this is difficult to say owing to the absence of the Sanitary Surveyor. These buildings are built on the side of a hill, and the yard may be on made ground, and the probable settlement of a covered drain might, in the opinion of the Surveyor, be less desirous than an open channel which is exposed." If such is the opinion of the Surveyor, it is simply childish. I am sorry I cannot use any lighter language because a surveyor should know that the foundations of the walls of buildings rest on solid ground, and if that ground can maintain the weight of the bricks and mortar composing the walls, the weight of the walls say over 1,000,000 times that of a tin, drain-pipe—the pipe has to be laid on concrete set on solid ground—what possible fear is there of the subsidence of ground, while the same ground on which the foundations and walls of the houses rest does not subside? Section 35 of the Drainage Bye-laws is clear and peremptory requires all back yards on which foul waters are thrown or on which slops flow, must be provided with traps to receive these waters as well as some rain water. Now assuming that the contentions of both the Sanitary Surveyor and the Acting Surveyor are correct, the system of allowing slops and foul waters to flow from house to house thereby causing a nuisance and disseminating diseases is repugnant to common sense, and highly dangerous to health, and as stated by the Acting Medical Officer of Health, the system should at once be remedied. Sir, the request set out in my motion is a very reasonable one. If a committee is appointed, and if it is found that may contentions are wrong no harm could be done, but on the other hand if on inquiry the systems are found to be injurious to health, and contrary to the law, a great deal of good would have resulted. If my motion is carried, I would suggest the Committee be composed of the Vice-President, Dr. Pearce, Mr. Hewett and myself.

Mr. Hewett in seconding the motion said that if the drains complained of were in conformity with the law, the sooner the law was amended the better. He knew that there were at least two or three different systems of drainage which must be not only most objectionable to the people in the neighbourhood but insanitary as well. In the ordinary Chinese house with a backyard there was an open channel to receive the rainwater, and the sullage, draining into the main drain. He failed to see why in another class of houses it should be possible for the sullage water to be carried not from one house to the second or third but along a whole block of buildings. He was not surprised that the tenants complained. With reference to the system of drainage at "Rosehill" alluded to by Mr. Rumjahn, if this system was allowed to go, he could say that the present Act (i.e. of 1903) which was supposed to rid Hongkong of this cursed plague was ineffective. The whole system was absolutely wrong and if it was permitted to continue to exist, one could not be surprised to hear of outbreaks of typhoid and such diseases. And he was speaking of houses occupied by the lower-class Chinese, but by the better-class and by Europeans. The motion was carried unanimously.

TELEGRAM

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

THE WAR.

THE BATTLE ON THE YALU.

RUSSIAN CASUALTIES

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

YOKOHAMA, 6th May,
10.16 a.m.

It now appears that the Russian casualties in the recent battle on the Yalu River totalled about fifteen hundred.

THE WAR LOAN OF TEN MILLIONS

UNCONFIRMED IN JAPAN.

The reported offer of a loan of £10,000,000 to Japan, through the Yokohama branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, is unconfirmed in Yokohama.

THE JAPANESE CENSOR.

ENGLISH EDITOR FINED.

Mr. Curtis, Editor of the *Kobe Herald*, who was prosecuted for publishing prohibited information, has been found guilty and fined Y. 20. He has appealed against the decision.

THE S.S. "MONMOUTHSHIRE" ASHORE.

EXTENSIVE REPAIRS NECESSARY.

The s.s. *Monmouthshire* ran ashore in the Bungo Channel.

She got off, and has been docked at Kobe, where surveys proved that extensive repairs are necessary.

[The *Monmouthshire* is a new steel steamer of 3,197 tons register. She was built at Sunderland in 1902, and belongs to the Shire Line which is locally represented—Ed., H.K. T.]

THE FLEET.

FUTURE MOVEMENTS.

We understand that the fleet will, in all probability, leave the immediate vicinity of Hongkong on the 9th of this month, the ships returning one by one to Hongkong for repairs all through the summer. Of these the *Cressy*, which is at present in the harbour, will be the first, and her repairs will, it is said, take nearly six weeks. It is probable that she will be followed by the *Albion*, whose commission, by the way, is drawing to a close.

GUNNERY.

According to rumours that have come through the dockyard, it seems that the *Albion* has been making remarkably good practice with her guns, so much so that there is an unusually large demand on old canvas for targets.

THE TORPEDO FLOTILLA.

We shall not be surprised to see a new activity among the torpedo-boats and destroyers during the next few months. The importance of these craft has been considerably enhanced by the recent Japanese operations against Port Arthur. As it is necessary for the British fleet in these waters to keep themselves on the alert and in readiness for anything that may happen, there will doubtless be a good deal of attention directed towards these reserve craft.

The *Taku* has already awakened from her accustomed tranquillity. It appears that she has caused a good deal of trouble in the numerous modifications found necessary to make her efficient as a British vessel and in the present state of affairs, it is desirable to push her along. The Whampoa Dock Company will probably be called upon to give assistance in the matter. By the way in which naval stores have been coming out lately there is no doubt that the Admiralty have no intention of being caught napping.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

German (*Oldenburg*) 9th inst.
Indian (*Sulstang*) 10th inst.
Australian (*Changsha*) 11th inst.
German (*Sachsen*) 12th inst.
American (*Korea*) 13th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 23rd inst.

The s.s. *Sika* sailed from New York on 4th inst.
The s.s. *Shinano* left Shanghai for Hongkong this morning, and may be expected here on 9th inst.
The *Imperial German* Mail steamer, *Albatross*, is expected here on 10th inst.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

The Battle of the Yalu.

LONDON, 4th May.

A despatch has been received from General Kuropatkin describing the battle of the Yalu in which he refers to the extraordinary vigour of the Japanese artillery attack. The Russian losses were very great but are not yet exactly known. The 11th Regiment lost 3 Colonels, the 12th Regiment 9 Company Commanders. Eight hundred wounded have been put in the hospital at Feng Whang Cheng. Twenty-eight guns were abandoned, the majority of the men and horses being killed. According to those who took part in the battle, at least 3,000, or 4,000, were killed.

LATER.

New Japanese Loan.

Negotiations with several financial houses in London are approaching a conclusion, for the issue of £5,000,000 at 93 bearing 6% interest; the security to be the first charge on the Customs.

The Brindisi Mail Overhauled.

The Russian gunboat *Krabri* fired a blank charge and stopped the *Osiris* nine hours off Brindisi. After two hours' detention the mails were sorted. The Russians demanded the Japanese mail, but this was not touched being at the bottom of the ship. After examining the mails the *Osiris* was allowed to proceed.

The War.

Reuters' correspondent at St. Petersburg wires that Alexieff, who personally directed the defence of Port Arthur, reports the attempt to block the passage on Monday was repelled. The fire ships armed with Hotchkiss guns maintained a hot fire, when sunk the crews took to the boats, the majority being killed by the Russian fire. The Russians saved thirty clinging to wreckage.

UNION CHURCH.

The annual meeting of seafarers of Union Church was held last evening under the presidency of the Rev. C. H. Hickling. There were present Messrs. A. Mackenzie (hon. secretary), W. Parlane, T. H. Reid, W. J. Wright, J. Dyer Ball, W. G. Humphreys, W. C. Bonnar, W. M. Watson, G. Grimble, Duncan Clark, W. Nicholson, and others.

The minutes of the last annual meeting having been read and confirmed.

Mr. W. Parlane proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. T. H. Reid seconded, and in the course of a few remarks alluded to one good feature of the Church which was that whatever changes took place, they had plenty of willing helpers to come forward. There were a good many difficulties which had to be decided by the Pastor, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Rev. C. H. Hickling expressed regret they would not have Mr. Reid to second the report and accounts next year; they were soon going to lose him. He hoped, however, that if Mr. Reid felt the "call of the East" he would come back to Hongkong.

The motion was carried.

Mr. W. J. Wright proposed and Mr. Dyer Ball seconded that Mr. W. G. Humphreys be re-elected Hon. Treasurer.

The motion was carried.

Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar proposed the re-election of Mr. A. Mackenzie as Hon. Secretary.

Mr. W. M. Watson seconded and it was carried.

Mr. G. Grimble proposed, Mr. A. Mackenzie seconded, and it was agreed, that Mr. Duncan Clark be re-elected Hon. Pew Secretary.

Mr. T. H. Reid proposed the following members be re-elected on the Committee of Management:—Rev. C. H. Hickling (Chairman), and Messrs. G. Murray Ball, J. Dyer Ball, W. Brand, D. Clark, A. G. Ewing, G. Grimble, W. G. Humphreys, H. Hursthouse, D. Macdonald, A. Mackenzie, J. F. Miller, R. Mitchell, W. Nicholson, W. Parlane, Rev. T. W. Pearce, J. Ramsay, A. Rodger, D. Temperton, J. C. Thomson, M.D., W. M. Watson, and W. J. Wright.

The names of Messrs. David Wood, Barrett and J. W. C. Bonnar were added, and the motion was carried.

Mr. G. Grimble, replying to the Rev. Hickling about organ recitals, said it was not on account of time that he did not give organ recitals. He had tried to tune the organ by screwing it up, but he could not get it to speak. There was nothing seriously the matter—it was only wrong inside (laughter). He would collect subscriptions for defraying expense of repairs himself, and he would bring around the list to people who did not go to church.

Rev. C. H. Hickling made further remarks, referring to the good work of the Ladies Committee, the Choir, Mr. Brand (Pew Organist), Mr. Inglis (Sunday School Superintendent), the Kowloon and Quarry Bay Sunday Schools, the Barrack Services, and those held at the Kowloon Docks. Many had rendered great help to the progress and working of the Church.

THERE is in Annam a large number of loafers who have no visible means of support and are composed mostly of young men who finally drift into prison after having committed some serious crime. The Captain Superintendent of the Native Police of that Port has decided to start a reformatory in conjunction with the prison where these prisoners will have to learn a certain trade so that when they have expired they will know a way of supporting themselves and thus avoid drifting into crime.

THE WAR.

WIRE NEWS.

London, April 25.—It is reported from St. Petersburg that two Japanese disguised as Chinese beggars attempted to assassinate General Kuropatkin at Newchwang. Both men were arrested and knives were found upon them.

Peking, April 27.—The *Yanichik* correspondent, who visited Liaoyang recently, states that General Kuropatkin, has his Headquarters at Liaoyang. The General has visited all outlying posts and is doing his utmost to encourage his men. They are however depressed and low-spirited, mostly owing to the corruption of officers. The men desire to be captured by the Japanese army and sent away from the front to a safer place.

Grand Duke Cyril is at Liaoyang undergoing medical treatment; he is making slow progress towards recovery.

Twelve forts have been built outside of Liaoyang and there are 1,000 Infantry and 20 guns between the gate of the city and the railway station. There are also 5,000 Infantry at the Token River to the east of the city. These men are all from Siberia. Some are young soldiers, others are veterans. Amongst them are lads of fourteen or fifteen, hardly able to handle a gun.

The Russians are building forts every five Chinese miles between Inkao and the mouth of the Liao-ho.

NEWS FROM THE RUSSIAN SIDE.

The following telegram has been communicated to the Shanghai papers by Major-General Dessino:—

Port Arthur, 29th April.

It is reported from Vladivostok that to-day at 7.25 a.m., the enemy's squadron was seen south of Askold island, its strength being ten large vessels and six torpedo-boats. At 9.45 a.m. it took the direction of Rousky island, steaming westward. No other news on this subject has been received.

According to the report of Captain Bolchakof, the Korean officials at Kengshen (Kyongsung) seem to be on the Japanese side, and would give no assistance to the Russians.

In different parts of the province of Kirin, the activity of the Hunghutze is increasing. The bands, mostly mounted, and 100 to 500 strong, seem to have some organisation. The pickets of railway guards have had some small engagements, on the 26th, near Shitouchenzu, and on the 27th near the station at Tchaotoulu.

In the former skirmish we had one soldier wounded, and in the latter Lieut. Boukevitch received contusions, and two soldiers were killed.

During the night of the 27th, between Telin and Suitchai, the patrols of the railway guard heard an explosion; the patrols opened fire to which the bandits answered with a volley and made off.

It was found that some 70 feet from the bridge, four pyroxylene cartridges had been placed on the rails over a distance of nearly 100 yards; the explosion destroyed six rails; the road-bed and the sleepers were not destroyed, and traffic has been resumed.

On the same night, between Sinitaizy and Houshitai, a fresh explosion was perceived at the junction of two rails, over a length of ten feet. Another cartridge which had not gone off was discovered.

The culprits could not be found. The road is repaired.

At the station at Ereendjandy, in the course of an investigation, a large quantity of rokokor (explosive compound) was found in some Chinese shops, and some Bickford fuses. Some arrests have been made.

At Port Arthur and Newchwang all is quiet.

(Signed) Major-General Floug, Quartermaster-General.

Regulations have been issued by the War Office relating to the Field Telegraph. These regulations allow Press correspondents the use of the wires for transmitting war news, but only five messages per correspondent will be allowed per day, and no message must contain more than fifty words. This does not leave much room for "gloating accounts," and probably many messages will be sent in five chapters of fifty words each, possibly "to be continued tomorrow." Each correspondent may at least be depended upon to use his privileges and send his 250 words a day, whether there happens to be fighting or not.

A telegram in the *China Times* of the 25th ult. says that the N. Y. K. chartered steamer *Habelberg*, from Japan for Taku, would not go farther than Chemulpo, owing to the danger of stray mines.

The Russian camp on the south of the Liao-ho is being visited by plague, and, owing to the inadequate number of medical officers and the shortage of medicine, deaths occur every day. For fear of an outbreak of plague, especially during the coming summer, the Russian commander has ordered his men to have all the streets swept clean, to remove every dirt and to catch and kill all rats.

THE "VARYAK" AGAIN.

The reports that have been circulated that the sunken cruiser *Varyak* at Chemulpo has been raised or will shortly be refloated are quite incorrect. The *Kobe Chronicle* learns from their correspondent in Korea that only a few of the guns and other detachable fittings have so far been removed, and that it will be a long time yet before the vessel is floated. It must be remembered that the *Varyak*, though not in deep water, is lying on her side, and in the ordinary course of events it must be some weeks if not months before she is floated, in the absence of suitable raising apparatus. It is doubtful whether the *Varyak* can be floated as easily as were the Spanish ships in the Bay of Manila, which lay in deeper water, and could therefore be more easily raised to the surface when once the water was pumped out and the vessels made water-tight at low tide. At low tide the hull of the *Varyak* can be seen, and before she can possibly be raised, though all her heavy armament and deck fittings must be removed. For that there are no facilities at Chemulpo.

The *Goya-maru* sunk on 25th ult. by the Russians at Gensan, was laden with fish belonging to Korean merchants. There was no Japanese cargo. The steamer is sunk in only five fathoms of water at the entrance to the port, and no difficulty is anticipated in raising her.

A recent dispatch from General Kuropatkin states that two Japanese Officers, disguised as priests, had been arrested and shot by the Russians. It appears, according to the general's report, that they had planned to destroy a portion of the railway track with dynamite. The names of these officers are given as Sueto Fukuka and Teisuka Oki. We are informed that the latter, who was born at Hirado, is a son of Judge Ihoro Oki, of Looschoo. He left Japan for Manchuria in 1902, and has not since been heard of. It is stated that he was largely instrumental in organising the mounted bandits and, on several occasions, led them in their raids on the Russian outposts.

CHEFOO.

THE AMERICAN CORRESPONDENTS' BOAT.

Chefoo, 23rd April.

The *Fawan*, chartered by the *Chicago Daily News*, arrived here this morning from a cruise through the Miaotao Islands, and along the Manchurian coast of Korea up to the entrance of the Yalu River. Yesterday afternoon two Russian torpedo boat destroyers intercepted the *Fawan* some eight or ten miles south of Port Arthur; the ensuing explanations terminated in the Russians taking command of the *Fawan* and politely confining the captain and correspondents to their cabins. The Pressmen were rejoicing over the probability of seeing Port Arthur and the possibility of "going one better" than their late Newchwang achievements. Unfortunately for the readers of their newspaper however, the captors of the *Fawan* on arriving some three miles off Port Arthur, were instructed by signals from the coast to forego their prize, whereupon the captain and correspondents were allowed to reassume command of their craft.

In discussing the affair with one of the crew I was informed that the officers and men of the two torpedo boat destroyers were well clothed, and judging from their appearance well fed, and did not appear to be at all downcast over their recent disasters; in fact one of the owners expressed the opinion that any advantage gained by the Japanese at sea would subsequently be more than counterbalanced by the Russians on land; he was also confident that Port Arthur was impregnable both by land and sea. Several large men-of-war could be seen lying at anchor inside the harbour, and from the zigzag course steered by the torpedo-boat destroyers on leaving the *Fawan* it was presumed by those on board the latter that the approach to the harbour has been thickly mined by the Russians.

A MYSTERY.

One of the objects of the *Fawan's* cruise was to solve, if possible, the mystery as to where the Japanese are coaling their squadron. It was thought that possibly the Japanese had converted one of the Miaotao Islands into a coaling depot, but the *Fawan's* cruise through these islands effectually controverted the idea. Of course it is possible that the Japanese are coaling at sea, but it is worthy of note that although the Japanese squadron has been frequently sighted at various times by passing steamers, yet no single occasion has any collier been noticed in the vicinity of the fort.

MINES.

There has been some talk here as to the likelihood of the recently appointed American Consul to Antung shortly proceeding to his destination, but the chance of his arriving there by water appears to be extremely small in view of the fact that the Russians have mined the narrow navigable channels of the Yalu River. The *Fawan* approached the river at low tide and noticed at the entrance something which appeared to be a piece of matting floating on the surface of the water. Closer inspection revealed a moored contact-mine concealed beneath the innocent looking refuse.

CHINESE SENT AWAY.

My informant also mentioned meeting in the vicinity of the Yalu a junk containing a number of well dressed Chinese who stated that they had been turned out of Tatungkau by the Russians, who were driving away all Chinese from their lines along the river, with the exception of coolies required by

RUSSIAN AND JAPANESE TROOPS in the construction of earthworks. The refugees stated that some 8,000 Russian troops were concentrated at Tatungkau and that the place was being strongly entrenched. Japanese troops have arrived as far as Yongampho and it is doubtful whether any Russian troops are now remaining on Korean territory. The statement lately wired out by Reuter that Russian and Japanese pickets along the Yalu were within 600 yards of each other does not appear to be the case. Advice received to-day indicate that the closest points of contact between the two forces are Tatungkau and Yongampho, the river between these two places being three miles wide.

It is reported that the whole length of the East coast of the Liaotung Peninsula, from Port Arthur to the Yalu River, is being patrolled by mounted Cossacks, a precautionary measure to prevent any surprise landing on the part of the Japanese.

PROVISIONS PLENTIFUL.

By all accounts there is no lack of provisions at Port Arthur. It is stated that the cost of foodstuffs has only advanced 25 per cent, since the beginning of the war. This is partly accounted for by the enforcement of a tariff prohibiting dealers from enhancing their prices beyond the limit specified from time to time by the Russian authorities.

HOW THE RUSSIANS ARE SUPPLIED.

In spite of the Japanese fleet there is little doubt but that large quantities of provisions have been shipped aboard junks to the Russians.

Large consignments of flour, casks of wine, etc., are being landed at Chelso, and Dame Rumour hath stated that a good deal of it is transhipped at night into junks, which leave here in the small hours, shaping their course through the Miaotao Islands to some rendezvous on the coast of the Liaotung Peninsula.

Steamers are arriving from the South bound for Newchwang, where large stocks of bean-cakes are awaiting shipment. Apparently the danger of a Japanese invasion in that quarter is not so imminent as was anticipated.—*Shanghai Mercury*.

MASONIC.

The Consecration and Installation ceremony of the Hongkong Consistory No. 11, under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Council of Scotland of 33°, H. E. took place at the Masonic Hall, Zetland Street, on Saturday Illustrous Companion G. A. Watkins 32° presiding.

The following are the Office bearers for the ensuing year:—

Grand Commander	H. Comp. G. A. Watkins 32°
.. Ontario	.. L. Mallory 30
.. Senior Warden	.. F. Howell 30
.. Junior	.. W. G. G. Leask 30
.. Treasurer	.. W. G. G. Leask 30
.. Secretary	.. C. Leshfield 30
.. Master of Ceremonies	.. H. B. Bridge 30
.. Chancellor	.. W. G. G. Leask 30
.. Inner Guard	.. J. F. Lenn 30
.. Chaplain	.. W. J. Osborne 30
.. Master of Works	.. W. M. Eversall 30
.. Standard Bearer	.. W. A. Allen 30
.. Director of Music	.. W. E. Claret 30
.. Aide De Comp.	.. P. D. Hyett 30
.. E. R. Udall 30	

CHINESE OFFICIALS IN HONGKONG.

Staying at the Hongkong Hotel are two representatives of His Excellency Hsi Liang, Viceroy of Szechuan, who are proceeding to Europe to-morrow on the P. and O. s.s. *Malta* which brought them from Shanghai. Tantis Chang and Key will first visit the various large arms factories in Europe with the intention of purchasing machinery for the Szechuan Arsenal and then cross over to the States to visit the St. Louis Exposition. It is pointed out in the *N. C. D. News* that these two gentlemen (the latter having already some years ago visited both Europe and the U.S., being also one of the returned American students) intended at first to go to the United States via San Francisco, but were deterred from doing so on hearing of the unnecessarily harsh and arbitrary measures adopted by the U.S. Customs officials at San Francisco towards Chinese, to which they would be subjected should they go by that route. Inquiry at the offices of the *Empress* boats also elicited the fact that the two gentlemen, although travelling officially, would upon getting to Vancouver be required to sign G. \$500 bonds to guarantee that they are not coolies. Needless to state that this was indignantly commented upon by the two officials in question, who were thus practically forced to elect the European route with its greater liberty of action. If the officials of the U.S. Customs will persist in unnecessarily placing indignities and difficulties in the way of Chinese travellers of the official and mercantile classes desiring to visit American shores, it would naturally follow that trade which would have gone in the first place to the hands of American manufacturers will in future be given by Chinese to European concerns.

COMMERCIAL.

Quotations for the week close as follows:—

Hongkong Banks	... \$655 s.
Nationals	... \$ 38 b.
Union Insurance	... \$540 b.
China Traders	... \$ 60 s.
Cantons	... \$205
Hongkong Fires	... \$295 b.
H. K. C. & Macao Steamboats	\$ 28 s.
Indo-Chinas	... \$101 b.
China & Manilas	... \$ 20 s. 6 d.
Douglases	... \$ 36 s.
Siar Ferries	... \$ 32 b.
do. (new)	... \$ 21 s. 6 d.
Shell Transports	... 27/6 b.
China Sugars	... \$142
H. K. & Whampoa Docks	\$214 s.
Kowloon Wharves	... \$101 b.
Farnhams	... Tls. 145 b.
Hongkong Lands	... \$153 b.
West Points	... \$ 54 b.
Hongkong Hotels	... \$138 b.
Humphreys Estates	... \$ 11 b.
Green Island Cements	... \$ 23 s. 6 d.
China Borneos	... \$ 10 b.
A. S. Watsons	... \$ 15 s. 6 d.
Hongkong Electric (old)	... \$ 13 s. 6 d.
do. (new)	... \$ 7 s. 6 d.
Wm. Powells	... \$ 10 b.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.

London—Bank T.T.	... 1/9 7/16
Do. demand	... 1/9 7/16
Do. 4 months' sight	... 1/9 7/16
France—Bank T.T.	... 2/33
America—Bank T.T.	... 1/32
Germany—Bank T.T.	... 1/32
India T.T.	... 1/33
Do. demand	... 1/33
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	... 7/2
Japan—Bank T.T.	... 8/7
Singapore—Bank T.T.	... Nominal
Java—Bank T.T.	... 1/6 1/2

Buying.

4 months' sight L/C.	... 1/9 1/2
6 months' sight L/C.	... 1/9 1/2
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	... 44
4 months' sight do.	... 44
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	... 1/10
4 months' sight France	... 2/28
6 months' sight do.	... 2/29
4 months' sight Germany	... 1/36 1/2
Bar Silver	... 25 1/2
Bank of England rate	... 3 1/4

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—

	Per chest
Malwa New	... 960/990
" Old	... 1,020/1,140
" Oldest	... 1,180/1,220
Malwa New	... 1,360
" Old	... 1,350
Benares " "	... 1,340
" Old	... 1,330
Persian (Paper)	... 890/920

To-day's Advertisements.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 9th day of May, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Wong Lok Chung in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 5 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundaries and Area.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	1746	Wong Lok Chung	As per plan to be seen in the Public Works Department.	180	10

Hongkong, 6th May, 1904. [593]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 16th day of May, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Hung Hom in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	1746	Hung Hom	465 400 310 300	129,750	110	18,025

Hongkong, 6th May, 1904. [594]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

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THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

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Captain Troitzsch, due here with the outward German Mail about MONDAY at 5 P.M., will leave for the above places about 12 24 hours after arrival.

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For further Particulars, apply to
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Hongkong, 6th May, 1904. [3]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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"SIMLA,"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex S.S. *India* and *Sunda*.
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Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 13th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

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Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 6th May, 1904. [4]

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

DINNER.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 7th May.

MENU.

HORS D'OEUVRES.

Sardines on Toast.

SOUP.

Potage Creme a la Jackson.

FISH.

Rolled a l'Orly.

ENTREES.

Lamb Cutlets a l'italienne.

Ox Tongue a la Francaise.

Cabbage Farcie.

CURRY.

Lobster Curry.

JOINTS.

Roast Sirloin of Beef.

Roast Chicken and Asparagus Sauce.

Boiled Bacon and Spinach.

Shipping.

Arrivals.
 Coptic, Br. s.s., 2,747, F. H. Armstrong, 3rd May, 5th May, San Francisco 2nd April, Honolulu 9th, Yokohama 22nd, Kobe 24th, Nagasaki 26th, and Manila 3rd May, Mails and Gen.—O. & S. S. Co.
 Malia, Br. s.s., 3,900, C. L. Daniel, 5th May, Shanghai 3rd May, Mails and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 Breid, Nor. s.s., 645, J. Talkman, 5th May, 10th 1st May, Sugar—Hag Fat.
 Andree Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,020, H. Köhn, 5th May, Bangkok 28th April, Rice and Meal.—M. & Co.
 Kiukiang, Br. s.s., 1,228, Bright, 5th May, Canton 4th May, Gen.—B. & S.
 Hunan, Br. s.s., 1,143, W. Fraser, 6th May, Canton 5th May, Gen.—B. & S.
 Chihli, Br. s.s., 1,142, G. Hooker, 6th May, Canton 5th May, Gen.—B. & S.
 Loongmoon, Ger. s.s., 1,245, F. Kalkofen, 6th May, Canton 5th May, Gen.—S. & Co.
 Tingsang, Br. s.s., 1,045, F. Wheeler, 6th May, Canton 5th May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Kwongsang, Br. s.s., 1,427, P. M. B. Lake, 6th May, Canton 5th May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Loosok, Ger. s.s., 1,020, F. Leuss, 6th May, Bangkok 27th April, Rice and Wood.—M. & Co.
 Tsinan, Br. s.s., 2,600, C. Lindbergh, 6th May, Kuchinotzu 2nd May, Gen.—B. & S.
 Simla, Br. s.s., 3,805, F. R. Summers, 6th May, Bombay 19th April, and Singapore 1st May, Mails and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Bourbon, for Saigon.
 Hongkong, for West River.
 Kwongtung, for Canton.
 Wingchai, for Macao.
 Tak Iing, for West River.

Departures.

May 6.
 Haiching, for Swatow.
 Macquarie, for Saigon.
 Borneo, for Sandakan.
 Amara, for Singapore.
 Tyr, for Hongkong.
 Kluang, for Shanghai.
 Nanyang, for Canton.

Arrivals from San Francisco.—Messrs. Indovin Brignandy, H. Eca da Silva, Fred W. Hartford, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kalbach, Messrs. R. Wightman and Wong Fook. From Honolulu—Mr. F. M. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cochran, Misses Ellen and M. Cochran, From Kobe—Mr. Scherer, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Boyd, From Manila—Judge Blount, Messrs. T. Aglemyer, G. H. Rehner, Miss Susan Colton, Judge A. C. Carson, Lieut. D. F. Dinukes, U.S.N., Mrs. Dinukes and infant, Messrs. P. H. Fillmore, H. B. Goodin, Miss Francis H. Gray, Messrs. A. Ireland, H. K. Hemans, C. M. Moore, D. F. Malone, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Priestly, Mr. J. S. Snover, Major G. M. Perkins, U.S.N., Judge John C. Sweeney, Mr. J. S. Stanley, Judge Grant T. Trent, Miss A. P. Tomelli, Mr. A. V. Smith, Hon. and Mrs. Breckman Winthrop, Misses G. E. McVann, Minnie Webb, Wilkins, Mr. G. A. Williams, Miss K. Young, 88 Chinese, and 9 Japanese.

Per Tsinan, from Kobe—Mrs. Ingham.
 From Kuchinotzu—Mr. Blake.

Per Malia, from Shanghai for Hongkong.—Hon. and Mrs. G. Stewart and servant, Mr. W. H. Elderidge, Miss Agnes Thistron, Mr. Bastien and assistant, Messrs. M. L. D. Costa, H. M. Harwood, Terrell James, N. Pattison, Ernest Teguet and B. Weil. For Colombo—Mr. Claud Bussell. For Bombay—Mr. A. D. Shanks. For Fremantle—Mr. and Mrs. Greig and child. For Port Said—Messrs. Frische, Traumann, Kumann, E. Knoff, Kallig, Schwalbe, Heel, A. T. Golver, A. T. Chababour, V. A. Polevov, N. N. Ignatieff, G. Cherkoff, A. J. Vesnosky, A. Goversky, A. Seaman, F. Leiburg, M. Masson, V. Mutokin, A. Malmosky, Mrs. B. Matweira and child, and Mrs. Sperankin. For Manchester—Mr. W. A. Maydon, Rev. E. C. and Mrs. Nickolls and 2 children, Mrs. Turner, Messrs. A. J. D. Soura and B. McGregor. For London—Mrs. H. R. King, 2 children and amah, Mr. J. E. E. C. Robertson, Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Baldock, Misses H. Beckley, J. Wrightman, Dr. C. de B. Daly, Mrs. Daly and child. From Yokohama for Hongkong—Mr. L. Leck. For London—Col. and Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Varnum, Mr. and Mrs. Bullard and 2 children, Mr. H. Bullard, Miss L. Bullard, Capt. Clements, Messrs. W. Atkinson, F. Biddlecombe, F. Challenor, T. Johnson, W. A. Greest, Bathgate, Donaldson, Bailey, R. James, Hecke and H. Craven.

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Oldenburg	Singapore, M. & Co.	May 9	
Theodor Wille	Singapore, H. A. & Co.	May 9	
Suisang	Singapore, J. M. & Co.	May 10	
Kansu	Tientsin, B. & S.	May 10	
Changsha	P. Darwin, B. & S.	May 11	
Sachsen	Singapore, M. & Co.	May 12	
Lothian	Japan, C. C. Co., Ltd.	May 13	
Korea	Japan, P. M. Co.	May 13	
Eastern	P. Darwin, B. & S.	May 15	
Emp. of China	Vancouver, C. P. R. Co.	May 15	

Vessels in Port.

STRANERS.
 Anglin, Ger. s.s., 1,990, G. Schultze, 3rd May, Bangkok via Koh-si-chang 20th April, Rice and Gen.—D. & S.
 Ardandear, Br. s.s., 2,030, W. Kinley, 30th April, Moji 24th April, Coal.—B. & Co.
 Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 997, Antoni, 5th May, Saigon 30th April, Rice.—Man Fat.
 Cardium, Br. s.s., 3,594, Daniel, 3rd May, Pulo Bukom 19th April, and Singapore 27th, Bulk Petroleum—A. K. & Co.
 Chwanshan, Br. s.s., 1,281, J. D. Jenkins, 12th April, Saigon 8th April, Gen.—B. & Co.
 Crusader, Br. s.s., 2,744, F. Brown, 4th May, Moji 27th April, Coal.—D. & Co., Ltd.
 Empress of Japan, Br. s.s., 3,039, Honra Pybus, R.N.R., 4th May, Vancouver via Ports 15th April, and Shanghai 2nd May, Flour and Beer.—C. P. R. Co.
 Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,410, T. Mitchell, 1st May, Hongay 29th April, Coal.—J. M. & Co.
 Frithjof, Nor. s.s., 891, Haraldsen, 4th May, Tamsui and Swatow 2nd May, Gen.—O. S. K.
 Gerd, Nor. s.s., 739, N. C. Halvorsen, 5th May, Cardiff 18th Mar., Coal.—Order.
 Goodwin, Br. s.s., 2,835, W. J. Nisbet, 5th May, Kuchinotzu 29th April, Coal.—M. B. K.
 Hinsang, Br. s.s., 1,576, W. E. Sawyer, 1st May, Java (Sourabaya) 22nd April, Sugar.—J. M. & Co.
 Hoihaio, Fr. s.s., 508, Caste, 28th April, Haiphong and Hoihaio 25th April, Gen.—A. Re M.
 Ischia, Ital. s.s., 2,784, M. Dante, 5th May, Singapore 27th April, Gen.—C. & Co.
 Isle de Negros, Am. s.s., 200, Lantigen, 7th April, Manila 3rd April, Ballast.—B. & Co.
 Mathilda, Nor. s.s., 2,230, H. Taarvig, 4th May, Moji 28th April, Coals and Cement.—M. B. K.
 Nam Sang, Br. s.s., 2,591, Geo. Payne, 3rd May, Singapore 27th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Narge, Norw. s.s., 1,024, Boé, 1st May, Barry 11th Mar., and Singapore 23rd April, Coal.—Order.
 Pera, Br. s.s., 1,916, A. L. Valentini, 3rd May, London 10th Mar., and Singapore 28th April, Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 Sado Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,861, G. Anderson, 24th April, Singapore 19th April, Ballast.—N. Y. K.
 Seward, Am. s.s., 1,210, C. Croskey, 20th April, Manila 16th April.
 Simoon, Br. s.s., 3,737, R. E. Collins, 24th April, Barry 11th Mar., Coal.—D. & Co., Ltd.
 Sobig, Nor. s.s., 2,635, Grudal, 28th April, Barry and Singapore 23rd April, Coal.—Master.
 Swanley, Br. s.s., 2,507, J. Dawson, 3rd May, Kuchinotzu 28th April, Bunker Coal.—G. L. & Co.
 Taitar, Br. s.s., 4,425, F. W. Evans, 29th April, Vancouver via Japan 31st Mar., Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
 Telemachus, Br. s.s., 1,340, J. Williamson, 1st May, Saigon 26th April, Rice and Cotton.—Order.
 Tjipanas, Dut. s.s., 2,575, O. Quirt, 5th May, Amoy 3rd May, Gen.—H. C. T. Co.
 Tweeddale, Br. s.s., Milne, 16th April, Moji 10th April, Ballast.—G. L. & Co.
 Yuensang, Br. s.s., 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 5th May, Manila 2nd May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, Rodger, 2nd May, Manila 30th April, Gen.—S. T. & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

Algon Bay, Br. s.s., 1,111, Tule, 4th May, Hongay 15th Feb., Coal.—B. & S.
 Maria I. Ital. s.s., 1,118, D. Urso, 9th April, Fremantle 7th Feb., Sandalwood.—Order.
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.
 H.I.G.M.S. Mewee, at Kowloon Dock.
 U.S.S. Taku " " "
 U.S.S. Monterey " " "
 Apenrade " " "
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 Heungshan " " "

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—9th April—Plantains, Titania, Verona, Ulysses, Segovia. 13th April—Schuyllkill, Sanda. 16th April—Calitha, Indramaya, Teenkai, Courtfield, Silverlip. 20th April—Vindobona, Elaine, Heimdal. 23rd April—Australien, Nurnberg, Union. 26th April—Kontigsberg, Border Knight, Bamberg. 27th April—Ceylon, Flintshire. 29th April—Java, Candia, Armand Behic, Rhipseus. 3rd May—Ambria, Princess Marie, St. Klida, Taurus, Zlatan.
 Homeward—9th April—Roan. 13th April—Socotra. 23rd April—Preussien. 3rd May—Albenga, Pak Ling.

Arrivals at Home—9th April—Palermo.
 13th April—C. Ferd. Latis, Keamun. 16th April—Radnorshire. 20th April—Oanfa, Mo-yun. 23rd April—Gisela, Sydney. 26th April—Macduff. 29th April—Sagami, Glasgow. 3rd May—Glendon, Plevus, Roanoke, Ajax, Sthonia, Armand Behic. 4th May—Borneo.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:
 Canton—Per Kinkhan, 7th May, 7:30 A.M.
 Manila—Per Zafiro, 7th May, 9 A.M.
 Manila—Per Shawmut, 7th May, 10 A.M.
 Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and San Francisco—Per Alga, 7th May, 11 A.M.
 Hongkong, India, via Tuticorin—Per Malia, 7th May, 11 A.M.
 Macao—Per Heungshan, 7th May, 1:15 P.M.
 Shanghai—Per Kwongsang, 7th May, 2 P.M.
 Saigon—Per Ardandear, 7th May, 2 P.M.
 Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per Frithjof, 7th May, 5 P.M.
 Moji—Per Glenartney, 7th May, 5 P.M.
 Namtso—Per Tachun, 7th May, 5 P.M.
 Sanbu—Per Hot Fu, 7th May, 5 P.M.
 Macao—Per Wingchui, 7th May, 5 P.M.
 Canton—Per Fatsan, 8th May, 5 P.M.
 Swatow, Chefoo and Tientsin—Per Chihli, 8th May, 5 P.M.
 Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Tsinan, 9th May, 3 P.M.
 Manila—Per Yuensang, 9th May, 3 P.M.
 Straits and Calcutta—Per Namsang, 10th May, 2 P.M.
 Shanghai—Per Kwongtang, 10th May, 3 P.M.
 Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per Ichia, 11th May, 10 A.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of Japan, 11th May, 11 A.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Hongkong, and San Francisco—Per Coptic, 12th May, 11 A.M.
 Yokohama and Kobe—Per Theodor Wille, 12th May, 4 P.M.
 Yokohama and Kobe—Per Changsha, 13th May, 3 P.M.
 Manila—Per Sungtiang, 13th May, 3 P.M.
 Manila—Per Rubi, 14th May, 9 A.M.
 Cebu and Iloilo—Per Wuchang, 18th May, 3 P.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Tartar, 21st May, 11 A.M.
 Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Bayern, 25th May, 11 A.M.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. J. I. Plummer, Chief Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:

On the 6th at 11.30 a.m. the barometer has risen throughout China and remains stationary in the Philippines. A marked depression exists in N. Japan moving towards the NE. there is also a shallow depression in the Pacific, East of Luzon, also moving NE. Gradients are still rather steep on the China Coast, and fresh NE. winds will be experienced in the Formosa Channel and northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh NE. to E. winds; overcast, fine.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

May 6th, 1904, a.m.

Bar. Th. Hu. Wind Ws.

Vladivostok	7 a.m.	Bar.	Th.	Hu.	Wind	Ws.
Nemuro	29.29	—	—	—	SW	8
Hakodate	29.02	—	—	—	W	4
Tokio	29.00	—	—	—	N	4
Kochi	29.07	—	—	—	E	2
Nagasaki	29.09	—	—	—	NE	2
Kagoshima	29.09	—	—	—	NE	4
Oshima	29.09	—	—	—	N	6
Naha	29.09	—	—	—	NE	6
Ishigakijima	29.09	—	—	—	NE	6
Taihouku	30.00	—	—	—	E	6
Taichu	29.07	—	—	—	N	4
Tainan	29.08	—	—	—	N	2
Koshun	29.08	—	—	—	NE	4
Pescadore	29.01	—	—	—	NE	10
Weihaioei	30.18	61	60	NW	3	bm
Gutlaif	30.09	63	67	ENE	4	b
Sharp Peak	30.05	60	70	NE	2	b
Amoy	30.00	60	70	NE	2	b
Swatow	30.00	—	—	—	NE	4
Canton	29.99	74	73	N	2	b
Hongkong	30.01	68	87	NE	1	o
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	—	E	3
Gap Rock	29.95	—	—	—	ENE	5
Macao	29.96	71	—	—	NNE	3
Haiphong	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	29.84	88	66	WSW	1	c
Bacolod	—	—	—	—	NE	3
Hilo	29.87	83	—	—	SW	1
Cebu	29.90	85	—	—	—	o
C. St. James	—	—	—	—	—	—

Barometer	29.85	May 5 at 10 a.m.	29.81
Temperature	75	71	
Humidity	90	90	
Rainfall	—	—	

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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1904.

HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

NAME.	CLASS.	TONS.	GUNS.	I.H.P.	CAPTAIN.	LAST REPORTED AT
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1,700	—	3,000	Commander O. de B. Brock	Mirr Bay
Albion	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain T. H. M. Jerram	Mirr Bay
Algerine	sloop	1,350	6	1,400	Commander R. Nugent	Shanghai
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Captain Charles Windham, C.V.O.	Mirr Bay
Andromeda	cruiser, 1st class	—	—	—	Captain R. Nelson O'Mahoney	Hongkong
Bramble	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1,300	Lieut.-Commander F. M. Leake	Yangtze
Britomart	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1,300	Lieut.-Commander T. D. Pratt	Yangtze
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Captain Fegan	Mirr Bay
Cressy	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Hongkong
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	—	Hongkong
Eclipse	cruiser, 2nd class	5,600	11	9,600	Captain Robert H. S. Stokes	Weihaioei
Esperance	sloop	1,070	10	1,400	Commander Ernest Barton	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5,700	Lieut.-Commander C. Asser	Hongkong
Fearless	cruiser, 3rd class	1,580	12	3,200	Commander P. V. Lewes, D.S.O.	Chemulpo
Glory	battleship, 1st class	12,050	16	13,500	Captain W. A. Carter	Mirr Bay
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	—	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	—	Hongkong
Humber	storeship	1,640	—	800	Commander J. D. Daintree	Hongkong
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander J. A. Gregory	Hongkong
Kinsla	river gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut.-Commander G. B. Powell	Yangtze-Kiang
Leviathan	cruiser, 1st class	14,100	—	31,500	Honourable N. G. Stopford	Weihaioei
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut.-Commander G. G. Webster	Hongkong
Ocean	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain T. G. Greet, R.N.	Mirr Bay
Oter	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6,300	—	Hongkong
Phoenix	sloop	1,015	6	1,400	Commander W. H. Nicholson	Shanghai
Rambler	surveying-vessel	835	6	650	Captain Morris H. Smyth	Amoy
Rinaldo	sloop	980	10	1,400	Commander D. St. A. Wake	Sandakan
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander John P. Irven	West River
Rosario	sloop	980	6	1,400	Commander T. Jackson	Shanghai
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander H. T. Atlay	West River
Sirius	cruiser, 2nd class	3,600	8	9,900	Captain C. H. H. Moore	Mirr Bay
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander Davidson	Yangtze
Tak	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6,300	Lieut.-Commander C. G. Codrington	Hongkong
Talbot	cruiser, 2nd class	250	6	6,500	Fleet Reserve	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	5,600	11	9,600	Captain Leslie Bayly	Singapore
Teal	river gunboat	4,600	6	800	Commodore Dickson	Hongkong
Thetis	cruiser, 2nd class	3,400	8	9,000	Lieut.-Commander E. V. Dugmore	Yangtze
Tweed	coast defence gunboat	363	3	200	Captain J. A. C. Wicken	Shanghai
Vengeance	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Lieutenant Forbes	Hankow
Vestal	sloop	980	10	1,400	Captain Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.	Mirr Bay
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6,300	Commander S. St. John Farquhar	Singapore
Waterwitch	surveying ship	620	—	450	Lieut.-Commander Esnet C. Hardy	Mirr Bay
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5,900	Lieut.-Commander H. M. Wells	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Commander Hugh Somerville	Hankow
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Commander Wason	Yangtze

Mails.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND
LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AMERI-
CAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"MALTA."

Captain C. L. Daniel, carrying His Majesty's
Mails, will be despatched from this for
BOMBAY, TO-MORROW, the 7th May,
at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the
above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;
other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed
via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's
Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1904.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT.
MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON,
HAVRE, BORDEAUX;
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 17th May, 1904,
at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship
"POLYNESIE," Captain Le Couteur,
with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo,
will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via
Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIP-
MENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for Lon-
don as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in
transit through Marseilles for the principal
places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON
only on MONDAY, the 16th May, Specie
and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same
day. No Cargo will be received on board on
TUESDAY.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they
must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents
and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Com-
pany's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1904.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

Connecting at Tacoma with
NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY
COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

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Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	Sailing.
Shawmut.....	9,606	W. M. Smith...	May 21
Tremont.....	9,606	T. W. Garlick...	June 28
Lyra.....	4,417	G. V. Williams...	Aug. 4
Shawmut.....	9,606	W. M. Smith...	Sept. 1
Tremont.....	9,606	T. W. Garlick...	Oct. 1

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FOR MANILA.

The largest, steadiest, and most comfortable
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Shawmut.....9,606 W. M. Smith...Ab. May 7
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CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION,
ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE, ELECTRIC
LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS.

The twin-screw s.s. Shawmut and Tremont
have just been fitted with very superior accom-
modation for first and second class passengers.
The large size of these vessels ensures steady-
ness at sea. Electric fan in each room.

Barber's shop and steam-laundry. Cargo
carried in cold storage.

For further Information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

General Agents.

Queen's Buildings,
Hongkong, 29th April, 1904.

NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed that no
change has been made in the Rates of
Subscription to the Hongkong Telegraph and
they are warned against paying more than
THEY CENTS (10 cts.) per Single Copy.

THE MANAGER,

Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 30th September, 1903.

Consignees.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL
STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"COPTIC."

are hereby notified that their Goods are at
their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or
landed into our Godowns Nos. 1 and 2, at
Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 243), and delivery
may be had either from Lighters or from our
Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of
Lading.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 14th
instant will be subject to rent.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or
before the 18th instant or they will not be
recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

E. W. TILDEN,

Agent.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1904.

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CARGO EX THE
STEAMSHIP "RICHMOND CASTLE,"
FROM NEW YORK.

HAVING ARRIVED PER "YUENSANG" FROM

MANILA,

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo are hereby informed
that all Goods are being landed at their
risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd.,
at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 11th instant will be
subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Undersigned on or before the
15th instant, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 10th instant at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1904.

S.S. "ERNEST SIMONS."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo from London
ex s.s. Corduan, and from Havre ex s.s.
Corduan, in connection with above Steamer,
are hereby informed that their Goods, with
the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valua-
bles are being landed and stored at their
risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at
Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained
immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless
intimation is received from the Consignees
before 2 P.M. TO-DAY, requesting it to be
landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed
after TUESDAY, the 10th instant, at Noon,
will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before
the 10th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on
TUESDAY, the 10th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"PERA."

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT
SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex s.s. Calcutta and
Egypt.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
Noon, TO-MORROW.

Goods not cleared by the 10th instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees
and the Company's representative at an ap-
pointed hour.

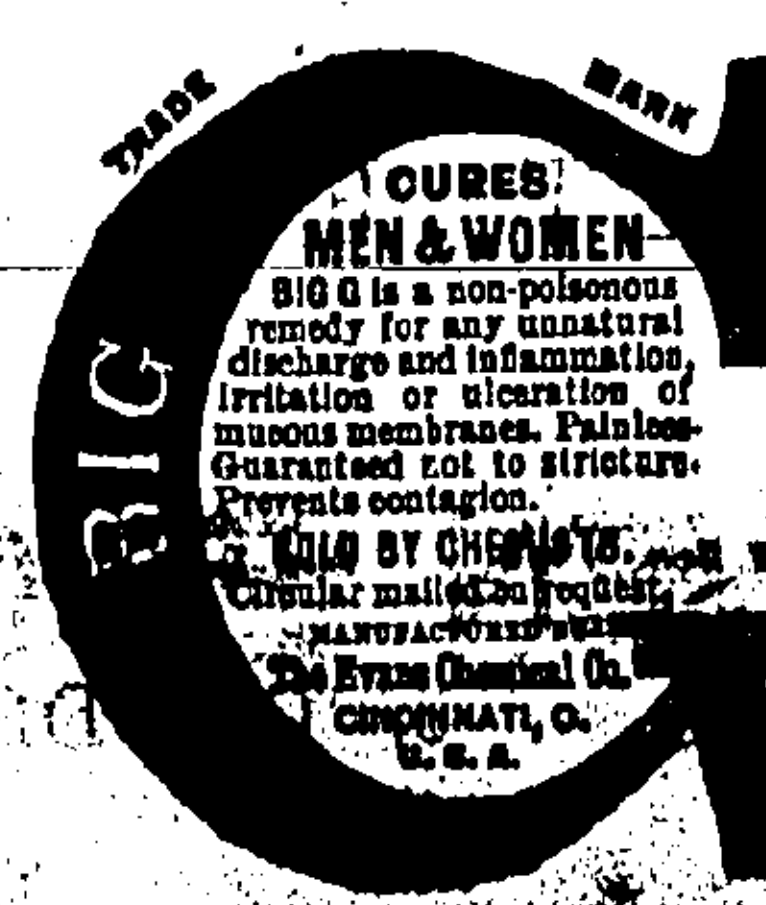
All claims must be presented within ten days
of the steamer's arrival here after which date
they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1904.



SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by MESSRS. BENJAMIN, KELLY & POTTS. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence" page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	8,000	\$125	\$125	\$10,000,000 \$6,500,000 \$350,000	\$1,417,366	Div. of £1.10/- and bonus of 1/10/- @ exchange 1/81 = \$12.994 for half-year ending 31.12.1903	6 1/2 %	\$655 sellers
National Bank of China, Limited	4,453	£10	£8	\$175,533	\$21,668	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	5 1/2 %	London 6/4 \$36 buyers
Do. (Founders)	750	£1	£1	\$191,973		None		\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$1,750,000 \$69,141 \$784,415 \$906,872 \$900,000	\$1,959,926	\$32 for 1902	6 %	\$535 buyers
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$151,992 \$331,342 \$322,131	Nil.	\$4 for year ended 30.4.1903	6 1/2 %	\$59 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 500,000 Tls. 31,850 \$700,000	Tls. 27,589	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902		Tls. 67 1/2
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$60	\$37,794	\$186,284	\$12 for 1902	9 1/2 %	123 buyers
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$150	\$50	\$1,300,000 \$9,000	\$110,551	\$15 for 1902	8 %	\$190 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.								
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,308,856 \$1,000,000	\$371,110	\$22 1/2 for 1902	7 1/2 %	\$295 buyers
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$70	\$125,675 \$1,561	\$329,047	\$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1902	8 1/2 %	\$83 sellers
SHIPPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.								
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$350,000 \$633,000 \$149,409 \$749,000	\$41,538	\$1 1/2 for second half-year 1903	10 1/2 %	28 1/2
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£10	£8 0 £100,000	£5,380	10/- for 1902	5 1/2 %	\$100 buyers
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$50	\$50	none	Dr. \$63,123	\$5 for 1900		\$21 sales
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$185,000 \$71,855	Nil.	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	8 1/2 %	\$36 sellers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$35,000 \$7,750	\$137	\$1.20 for year ending 30.4.03	3 1/2 %	\$12 buyers
Straits Steamship Company, Limited	5,000	\$100	\$100	\$350,000		\$8 for second half year 1902	11 %	\$145
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$4,000 Tls. 98,000	£19,555	Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 4) for 1903	3 1/2 %	27 1/2
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 201,614	Tls. 865	Final of Tls. 1 making Tls. 2 for 1903	5 1/2 %	Tls. 35
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Final of Tls. 2 making Tls. 4 1/2	9 1/2 %	Tls. 48 sellers
Do. (Preference)	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none		Final of Tls. 1 1/2 making Tls. 3 1/2	7 1/2 %	Tls. 47 sellers
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$147,717	Final of \$7 making \$12 for 1901		\$141 buyers
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$73,905	\$3 for 1897		\$10 sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 1,456	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.03	5 %	Tls. 51 buyers
MINING.								
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 251,337 Fcs. 1,529,652	Fcs. 85,706	Interim of Fcs. 30 for 1903		\$500
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	£1	£1	£4,873	Dr. £7,236	No. 12 of 1/-		\$6 sellers
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	£30,000	£6,671	No. 2 of 1/-		Tls. 6 1/2 sales
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$8,750	\$425,340	\$6 dividend and \$1 bonus for second half year 1903	6 1/2 %	\$214 sales
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Limited	57,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 850,000	Tls. 43,124	Int. of Tls. 5 for half year ending 31.10.03	7 %	Tls. 145 sales
Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited	37,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,850,000		\$5 for 2nd half year 1903	4 1/2 %	\$245 sales
Riley Hargreaves & Co., Limited	6,000	\$100	\$100	\$150,000		\$10 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	6 1/2 %	\$195 buyers
Do. (Preference)	2,750	\$100	\$100	\$50,000		\$7 dividend	6 1/2 %	\$110
Howarth Erskine, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$100	\$50,000		\$10 for first half year 1902		\$205 buyers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown, Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,989 \$250,000	\$38,015	Final of \$3 1/2 making \$5 for 1903	5 %	\$101 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company	20,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 487,210 Tls. 50,913	Tls. 22,895	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 11 for 1903	7 1/2 %	Tls. 152 1/2 sales
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 5,000	Tls. 1,760	Tls. 18 for 1903	9 1/2 %	Tls. 199 sales
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	6,000	\$6 1/2	\$6 1/2	\$55,500	\$4,548	\$2 1/2 for 1902	7 1/2 %	\$37 1/2 sellers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDING.								
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$500,000	\$51,966	Final of \$6 making \$12 for 1903	8 %	\$153 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 800,000 Tls. 150,000 Tls. 17,144	Tls. 37,634	Final of Tls. 3 & bonus of Tls. 2 making in all Tls. 8 for 1903	7 1/2 %	Tls. 109 sellers
Tientsin Land Investment Company, Limited	7,726	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 54,626	Tls. 325	Final of Tls. 5 making in all Tls. 9 for 1903	7 %	Tls. 130 sellers
China Land and Finance Company, Limited	6,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	\$636	Interim of Tls. 2	7 1/2 %	Tls. 55
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	none	Tls. 5,150	\$2.50 for 1903	7 1/2 %	\$35
Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Company, Limited	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	none	Tls. 5,150	None		Tls. 10
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$3,362	Final of 1.70 making \$3.20 for 1903	6 %	\$54 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$100,000 \$10,771 \$20,000	\$3,161	\$5 for second half-year 1903	7 1/2 %	\$138 buyers
Astor House Hotel, Limited (Tientsin)	2,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 29,000	Tls. 655	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 9 for 1903	6 1/2 %	Tls. 146 buyers
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$22,500	\$16,301	\$2 1/2 for year ended 30.6.30	7 1/2 %	\$35 sellers
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited (Shanghai)	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 6,804	Tls. 1,496	Tls. 1 1/2 for the year ending 31.3.1903	10 %	Tls. 15
Queen's Hotel (Wei-hai-wei)	600	\$20	\$20	none	\$4,989	First year		Tls. 25
Tientsin Hotel, Limited	1,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 3,530	\$5 for the year ending 22.2.1903	12 1/2 %	\$40
Tientsin Hotel des Colonies, Limited	1,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 3,530	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2	7 %	Tls. 50
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$200,607 \$50,000	\$99,177	90 cents for 1903	8 1/2 %	\$11
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 11,655	Tls. 4 for year ended 31.10.1903	12 1/2 %	Tls. 31
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 30,098	Tls. 88,034	Interim of 3/4 a/c 1898		Tls. 25 buyers
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	15,500	Interim of 4 a/c 1898 on 6,000 shares		Tls. 324 sellers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 5,638	Tls. 20,389	4 a/c 1897		Tls. 170 sellers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$0	\$10	none	\$11,121	Final of 60 cents making \$1 for the year ending 31/7/03	6 1/2 %	\$14 1/2 sellers
CIGARS AND TOBACCO COS.								
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,091	Final of Tls. 3 making Tls. 6	9 1/2 %	Tls. 62 1/2 sales
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$200	\$200	\$43,000	\$57	\$125 for year ending 30.6.1900		\$200
Philippine Company, Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10			First year		\$10
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$350,000	\$32,115	\$1.50 for 1903	6 1/2 %	\$23 1/2 buyers
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	none	Nil.	60 cents for 1903	6 %	\$10
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$250,000 \$25,000	\$3,077	Interim of 50 cents for 1903	6 1/2 %	\$15 buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,802	\$1,042	\$1 for 1903	13 1/2 %	\$7 1/2 buyers
Singapore Dispensary, Limited	600	\$50	\$50	\$6,000		\$5 for year ended 31/7/1902		\$70
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$55,000	\$1,171	80 cents for 1903	9 %	\$9 sales
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$3,453	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	6 1/2 %	\$13 1/2 buyers
Hongkong & China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	£10	£10	£21,855 £7,387	£7,387	£1 div. and 2/- bonus for 1902		\$150 buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	10,666	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 108,172	Tls. 7,548	Final of Tls. 3 1/2 and bonus of Tls. 1 1/2 making Tls. 5 1/2 for 1903	7 1/2 %	Tls. 115 sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	7,207	£20	£20	Tls. 140,000	Tls. 7,369	Final of 37/6 making 32/6 for 1903	7 %	Tls. 400 sellers
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	T.Tls. 100	T.Tls. 100	Tls. 15,259	Tls. 667	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 16 for 1903	12 1/2 %	Tls. 120 sales
Tientsin Native City Waterworks Company, Ltd.	2,944	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 413	Tls. 2 for half year		Tls. 730 sellers
Hall & Holz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$186,000	\$13,104	Final of \$1 1/2 making \$3 1/2 for 1903	12 1/2 %	\$281 sales
La e, Crawford & Co., Limited (Shanghai)	2,500	\$100	\$100	none	\$21,682	Final of \$7 making \$12 for year end. 29.2.04 \$10 for 1903	10 1/2 %	\$12 1/2 buyers
Hongkong Rope-Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000	\$8,595	\$2 1/2 for 1903	7 %	\$140
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$70,000	\$5,444	\$2 1/2 for 1903	7 1/2 %	\$171 buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$35,500		Final of \$12 making \$16 for 1903	7 1/2 %	\$100 buyers
Straits Ice Company, Limited	2,000	\$100	\$100	\$45,000		\$7 1/2 for second half year 1903	9 1/2 %	\$160 sales
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$30,000	\$4,283	\$20 for year ending 30.11.1903	6 1/2 %	\$300
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	10,000	\$7 1/2	\$7 1/2	\$20,000	\$3,029	\$1 1/2 for year ending 31/7/1903	9 1/2 %	\$131 buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$5,500	\$596	\$3 for 1903	8 %	\$7
Bell's Asbestos East-Run Agency, Limited	8,664	12/6	12/6	none	£1,000	None		\$5 sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900	\$10	\$4	\$14,000	\$119	\$100 cents for year ended 31.3.1903	10 %	\$94 buyers
Do. (Founders)	100	\$10	\$10			\$29.70	14 1/2 %	\$94 buyers
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	7,500	\$10	\$10	none	Dr. \$1,548	Final of 60 cents making \$1.20 for the year ending 31.12.1903	7 1/2 %	\$16 sales
China Light and Power Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$57,953	None		\$5 buyers
William Powell, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$4,757	Interim of 50 cents for 1903/4	10 %	\$10 buyers
Maatschappij tot Mijn-, Bosch- en Landbouwex- ploitatie in Langkat	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 334,669	Tls. 27,187	First quarterly dividend of Tls. 1 1/2	14 %	Tls. 292 sales
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Company, Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45,000	Tls. 10,247	Tls. 5 for 1903	7 %	Tls. 71 sellers
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 3,588	Final of Tls. 5 making Tls. 10 for 1904	9 %	Tls. 115 buyers
Central Stores, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$12	\$20,000	\$6,253	Final of \$1.20 making \$1.70 for 1903	13 1/2 %	\$20
Do. (Founders)	123							
E. L. Mondon, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 3,595	Tls. 5 for 1903	12 1/2 %	Tls. 40 sellers
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,942	Tls. 2 for 1903	9 1/2 %	Tls. 62 sales
Katz Brothers, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$160,000		\$10 for 1903	7 1/2 %	\$135 sales
Straits Trading Company, Limited	250,000	\$10	\$10	\$650,000		\$1 div. and 2/- bonus for half year ended 30.6.1903	8 %	\$314 buyers
Wiley and Sons, Limited	4,500	\$50	\$50	\$160,116		\$5 div. and \$3 1/2 bonus for 1903	8 %	\$92
Maynard and Company, Limited	5,000	\$10	\$10	\$10		\$2 for year ended 31.10.1903	8 %	\$27
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,000	\$50	\$50	\$50		First year		\$20
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$25		First year		\$2 1/2